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Mr. Lee Sutherland Owner Sutherland Brothers P.O. Box 218 Monticello, Utah 84535

Dear Mr. Sutherland:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Whitecloud Mine Project, S/015/044, Emery County, Utah.

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on September 21, 1989. The BLM copied us with a copy of your NOI. This will be sufficient for our records. The application for the proposed Whitecloud Mine Project, located in Section 15, T24S, R13E, SLBM, Emery County, Utah, is complete and no additional information is required at this time.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

Please be advised that the State Division of Environmental Health may also require certain permits for your proposed operation. For further information regarding their permitting requirements, you may contact the Division of Environmental Health at (801) 538-6121; their mailing addresss is Utah State Department of Health, Division of Environmental Health, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116-0690.

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Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,

Holland Shepherd Reclamation Soils Specialist

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Enclosure

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